Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): An attachment structure for attaching a camera module to a housing, said camera module having an image capturing element portion mounted on a substrate and a lens portion provided on said image capturing element portion, said attachment structure of said camera module comprising:

an elastic member which is elastically deformed in a thickness direction, arranged between said substrate and said housing; and

~~at least one latch~~ a plurality of latches provided on said housing;

wherein said camera module engages with said latch,

~~and~~ movement of said elastic member in the restoring direction is restricted,¶

a cover member which covers the image capturing element portion is provided

said cover member having an opening,

each of said latches comprises a second elastic member standing at a periphery of an attachment area of said housing to which the camera module is attached, and a prong portion which can engage with a latching surface of said cover member,

said prong portion being provided on said second elastic member and projecting towards said latching surface, the plurality of second elastic members are elastically deformed, the camera module is allowed to pass through a space between the second elastic members, and attachment of the camera module to the attachment area of the housing is permitted.

Claim 2. (Cancelled): An attachment structure for attaching a camera module according to claim 1, further comprising:

a cover member which covers the image capturing element portion, said cover member having an opening.

Claim 3. (Cancelled): An attachment structure for attaching a camera module according to claim 2,

wherein said latch comprises a second elastic member standing at a periphery of an attachment area of said housing to which the camera module is attached, and

a prong portion which can engage with a latching surface of said cover member, said prong portion being provided on said second elastic member and projecting towards said latching surface.

Claim 4. (Original): An attachment structure for attaching a camera module according to claim 3,

wherein a guide surface for guiding said camera module, is formed on said prong portion, said guide surface having a slanted shape between a tip surface and an end surface of said prong portion.

Claim 5. (Original): A portable terminal device comprising:

a camera module having an image capturing element portion mounted on a substrate and a lens portion provided on said image capturing element portion; and

a housing to which said camera module is attached;

said housing comprising:

a first casing into which said camera module is attached; and

a second casing for covering said first casing, and forming an open area for the lens portion;

wherein said camera module is attached to said housing using the attachment structure for attaching a camera module according to claim 1.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended): A portable terminal device comprising:

a camera module having an image capturing element portion mounted on a substrate and a lens portion provided on said image capturing element portion; and

a housing to which said camera module is attached;

said housing comprising:

a first casing into which said camera module is attached; and

a second casing for covering said first casing, and forming an open area for the lens portion;

said camera module comprising:

an elastic member which is elastically deformed in a thickness direction, arranged between said substrate and said housing; and

~~at least one latching portion~~ a plurality of latching portions provided on said housing;

wherein said camera module engages with said latching portion,

~~and~~ movement of said elastic member in the restoring direction is restricted,

said substrate has a cover member which covers the image capturing element portion,

said cover member having an opening,

each of said latching portions comprises a second elastic member standing at a periphery of an attachment area of said housing to which the camera module is attached, and a prong portion which can engage with a latching surface of said cover member,

said prong portion being provided on said second elastic member and projecting towards said latching surface, the plurality of second elastic members are elastically deformed, the camera module is allowed to pass through a space between the second elastic members, and attachment of the camera module to the attachment area of the housing is permitted.

Claim 7. (Cancelled): A portable terminal device according to claim 6,

wherein said substrate has a cover member which covers the image capturing element portion, said cover member having an opening.

Claim 8. (Cancelled): A portable terminal device according to claim 7,

wherein said latching portion comprises a second elastic member standing at a periphery of an attachment area of said housing to which the camera module is attached, and

a prong portion which can engage with a latching surface of said cover member, said prong portion being provided on said second elastic member and projecting towards said latching surface.

Claim 9. (Original): A portable terminal device according to claim 8,

wherein a guide surface for guiding said camera module, is formed on said prong portion, said guide surface having a slanted shape between a tip surface and an end surface of said prong portion.

Claim 10. (Original): A camera comprising:

a camera module having an image capturing element portion mounted on a substrate and a lens portion provided on said image capturing element portion; and

a housing to which said camera module is attached;

said housing comprising:

a first casing into which said camera module is attached; and

a second casing for covering said first casing, and forming an open area for the lens portion;

wherein said camera module is attached to said housing using the attachment structure for attaching a camera module according to claim 1.